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MEMORANDUM

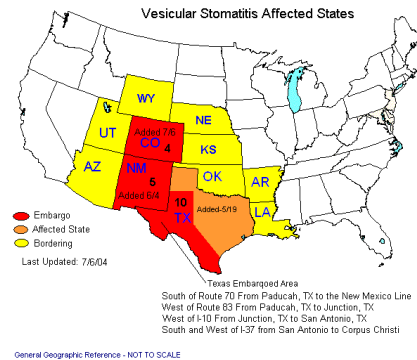
TO: Dr. Wayne Cunningham,
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FROM: Dr. Robert Stout 
State Veterinarian

CC: State Veterinarians
AZ, UT, WY, NE, KS, OK, AR, LA

DATE: July 6, 2004

SUBJECT: VSV Embargo



With information received earlier this morning that animals on 3 premises in Las Animas County and a single premise in Douglas County, Colorado have been diagnosed with Vesicular Stomatitis, Kentucky's Administrative Regulation 302 KAR 20:115E will now prohibit the entry of all livestock, wild and exotic animals into Kentucky from Colorado, New Mexico and the VS Affected and Embargoed portions of Texas identified as being:

- South of Route 70 from Paducah, TX going west to the New Mexico Line
- West of Route 83 from Paducah going south to Junction, TX
- West of I-10 from Junction going southeast to San Antonio
- South and West of I-37 from San Antonio southeast to Corpus Christi.

Also please note that with the spread of vesicular stomatitis occurring and the fact that species other than equine have been implicated in this outbreak, we have revised our entry requirements for animals entering Kentucky from states which have a common border with a VS Affected State.

Bordering States

All livestock (including horses), wild and exotic animals originating from a state which has a common border with a VS Embargoed State are required to meet the following conditions prior to entering Kentucky.

Be examined during the five (5) day period prior to the animal's arrival in Kentucky with a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection completed by the examining veterinarian. The certificate shall have the following statement included: "Animals represented on this certificate of veterinary inspection have not originated from a premise or area under quarantine for vesicular stomatitis or a premise on which vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed in the past thirty (30) days or from the area of Texas restricted from entry into Kentucky, as designated this date. I have examined the animals and have found no signs of vesicular stomatitis."

Equine entering Kentucky from a state which has a common border with affected states shall be accompanied upon their entry into Kentucky with a negative test for VSV. The sampling shall be conducted during the ten (10) day period prior to the animal's entry into Kentucky.

States which are sending equine into Kentucky that are required to be accompanied with a negative Vesicular Stomatitis test are Arizona, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Utah and Wyoming.

Non-Embargoed Areas Within Texas

In addition all livestock (including horses), wild and exotic animals originating from the non-embargoed areas of Texas are required to meet the following conditions prior to entering Kentucky.

1. Be tested and found negative to Vesicular Stomatitis using the C-Elisa Test within 10 days of entry into Kentucky.
2. Have an entry permit issued by this office recorded on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
3. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection within five (5) days containing the following statement: "Animals represented on this certificate of veterinary inspection have not originated from a premise or area under quarantine for vesicular stomatitis or a premise on which vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed in the past thirty (30) days or from the area of Texas restricted from entry into Kentucky, as designated this date. I have examined the animals and have found no signs of vesicular stomatitis."

Information regarding Kentucky's embargos can be found on the internet at www.kyagr.com